



Taranaki Foundation

Inspiring. Giving.



IMPACT REPORT 2023

About Us

Taranaki Foundation is the charitable foundation established for Taranaki, our people and the causes that are important to us.

We are governed by a local voluntary board, are community-focused and are striving to build a permanent endowment fund which will benefit our local community for generations to come.

Here's a glimpse of our collective achievements 2022/23:

About this report

Welcome to our 2023 Impact Report showcasing how Taranaki Foundation turns intent into community impact.

Creating a more vibrant, prosperous Taranaki for all relies on generous donors – those individuals, families, and groups who have contributed the funds that fuel charitable work within the region.

We begin by highlighting our incredible donors, focusing on the intention behind their gifts.

Next, we shift our focus to the groups we support with grants, showcasing how donor intentions translate into tangible and positive impact here in Taranaki.

\$781,553

Distributed to worthy causes and projects since inception.

7.05%

Investment return on Funds since inception

\$221,287

Granted to our community in the past year.

114

Grants distributed to individuals and organisations on behalf of our donors.

\$3.45m

Funds invested and growing.

\$7.2m

Bequests committed for future endowment funds.

With intention and trust

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is our pleasure to bring you the 2023 Taranaki Foundation Impact Report.

Our mission at Taranaki Foundation is to grow giving and philanthropy by matching generous people with our region's important community causes. In the past year, we've made substantial progress towards this goal, thanks to our growing family of donors and supporters.

We are focused on growing our endowment fund to enable us to provide more grants to help those voluntary groups and charities that are making a big difference to the well-being of our local community. Every gift, large or small, forms a part of our story and the impact we have today, tomorrow and for generations to come.

Taranaki Foundation continued to grow in the 2022 financial year, despite the current global economic challenges and adverse market conditions that impacted investment returns. To the end of 30 June 2023 endowment funds under management have grown to \$3.28m, up from \$2.05m in 2022.

Since 2016, nearly \$750,000 has been distributed to worthy causes in Taranaki, thanks to the generosity of our Taranaki donors and The Tindall Foundation. This year, 114 grants totalling \$221,287 were awarded across our various funding streams. Committed bequests in Wills have risen to \$7.2m from \$5m in 2022.

Together with local partners, including Ngāti Te Whiti, NP Partners and NPDC, Destination Play at Kāwaroa has secured the \$5 million needed for the first stage.

We owe this achievement to the generous support from funders, individuals, families and local businesses.

We recognise Community Foundations New Zealand (CFNZ) for their support. We are proud to be one of 17 Community Foundations across Aotearoa New Zealand growing funds and long-term community impact. Over \$60 million has been granted to local communities in the past 5 years and an incredible \$240 million is managed across the network.

We're thankful to Ken Horner and Paul Goldsmith, the founding co-chairs and trustees, for their impactful role in shaping the Taranaki Foundation. As they retire from the Board, we're honoured that Ken has become the Foundation's first Patron.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those contributing to the growth and expansion of the Foundation. Whether you are a donor, supporter, funding partner, grant recipient, professional advisor or community leader, you have all played a significant role in our journey.

Together, we are creating a more prosperous Taranaki for all.

Ngā mihi maioha



Bryce Barnett, Chair



Josh Hickford, Chief Executive

Our Donors

The heart of Taranaki Foundation

We encourage, enable and celebrate generosity – connecting people who care with causes that matter.

ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY FUNDS

Taranaki is full of amazing people making incredible things happen. The following groups have established Community Funds managed by Taranaki Foundation.

Any donation made to a Community Fund will be invested, protected, and grown, with a focus on building an endowment that will continue to support local groups for generations to come.

Coach McKean Fund

Created to honour Coach McKean and to benefit 'The Future Champions Programme' as well as promising Taranaki young athletes of secondary school age.

Conductive Education Fund

Dedicated to providing the opportunity for each child to maximise their abilities for generations to come.

East Taranaki Environment Collective Fund

Committed to supporting a place for our native taonga – Kiwi, Kokako, Long-tailed bats and other native species – to thrive.

Friends of New Plymouth Opera House Fund

In 2022 this Fund was transferred to the Foundation so that the excellent work they have undertaken for many years is continued in perpetuity.

Hāwera High School Fund

Established in 2019 for the benefit and welfare of the education, learning, cultural and/or sporting activities at the school.

Help a Taranaki Child Trust Fund

Established to continue the original trust vision and purpose of helping disadvantaged children.

Hospice Taranaki Fund

Hospice Taranaki has partnered with the Taranaki Foundation to provide a pathway for bequest funding to help build financial security and sustainability.

New Plymouth Girls' High School Fund

Established to support the vision and delivery of education at NPGHS.

New Plymouth Riding for the Disabled Fund

Established to support sustainable funding for the therapeutic, educational, and recreational horse-riding services they provide.

Puke Ariki Fund

This Fund aims to provide long term funding for the sustainability of the museum, library and visitor centre.

Taranaki Foundation Fund

A general fund, established by Taranaki Foundation to assist with current, urgent funding needs across the community.

Taranaki Retreat Legacy Fund

Supporting the life-saving support the Retreat provides and aiming to build financial security and confidence for the future.

The Swingiest Fund for Generations of Art Lovers

This Fund was established by the Friends of the Gallery to ensure ongoing support for the Govett-Brewster and its collections, exhibitions, and events.

Taranaki Youth Boost Fund

Established in 2022 with the aim of scaling up the impact of Youth Boost to reach more deserving students across Taranaki.

Waitara High School Fund

Established to support the vision and delivery of education at Waitara High School.



ESTABLISHED ORGANISATION FUNDS

These funds are established by organisations in partnership with Taranaki Foundation, to strategically manage their giving, amplify their impact and achieve their community-orientated philanthropic objectives

Connect Legal Taranaki Fund

In 2016 this Fund was set up to more carefully plan and structure their community giving now and into the future.

Craigs, New Plymouth

Since 2019, Craigs have supported the Taranaki community through a partnership with Taranaki Foundation by annually directing money to local charities instead of sending out Christmas gifts.

Energyworks Fund

In 2021 Energyworks set up their fund to manage all their smaller local sponsorships and donations with a focus on children, youth, health and wellbeing.

G.J. Gardner Homes Taranaki Fund

A corporate pass-through Fund whose purpose is to provide community benefit.

Liquigas Limited Endowment Fund

Established to support corporate charitable giving and build a fund specifically earmarked for the communities Liquigas operate in across New Zealand.



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We see the huge benefit and impact of giving to those areas within the community with the greatest needs.

*Christine Egarr,
Craigs Investment Adviser,
New Plymouth*

NAMED FUNDS

Creating a more vibrant, prosperous Taranaki for all relies on generous donors – those individuals, families and groups who have established funds to give back to the people and places they love, creating positive change for our region today, tomorrow and long into the future.

Donors create individual funds aligned with their interests. Others choose to give during their lifetime, or through a gift in their will. Our heartfelt thanks extend to all donors, both named and anonymous.

- **Winifred Knight Trust Fund**
- **Dr BF Clarke Fund**
- **Debbie McCallum Fund**
- **Lysaght-Watt Fund**
- **Ken and Jennifer Horner Fund**
- **Fergusson Fund**
- **Hinton Family Investment Fund**
- **Valerie Webber Fund**
- **Harry and Helen Bayliss Fund**
- **Taranaki Hauora Fund**
- **Hearing & Visual Impairment Fund**
- **M J Millard Taranaki Animal Welfare Fund**
- **Cliff Perrett Memorial Trust**
- **Rudi Milesi Fund**
- **The Harvey Symes Fund**
- **Bruce Carter Fund**
- **Isobel Bremer Medical Services Trust**
- **Brookdell Fear Trust Fund**
- **A-Z Legacy Fund**



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The idea of setting up a fund that would continue to give long into the future was really appealing, so that this place we call home could benefit long after our time here.

Robyn & Phil Hinton, Donors

Donor-Advised Memorial Fund

The Taranaki Hauora Fund

When Kelvin Squire joined the Foundation as a trustee in 2016. He never dreamt that two years later he and his wife Carolyn would be establishing the Taranaki Hauora Fund in memory of their son, Leon, who passed away at 43 in 2017.

Creating a legacy for their whanāu (family) and potentially inspiring others, Kelvin explains, “Establishing a fund in Leon’s memory creates a legacy for our whanāu and will hopefully make a difference to others by opening the door to what’s possible,” says Kelvin.

At the heart of the Fund lies creativity, with flexibility to support the hauora (well-being) of rangatahi (young people). Kelvin reflects:

“My father instilled in me the notion that we should try to leave the planet better than we found it – a lasting legacy.”

The Squires are low-key people who don’t seek attention, but they enjoy giving back to their community in memory of their son.

Over the past year, the Taranaki Hauora Fund has enabled the following grants: \$3,000 to Percy Thomson Gallery for technical equipment; \$5,000 to the Stratford Shakespeare Trust; \$2,000 to Stratford Community House, and \$10,000 for sponsorship of the biennial Emergence Art Awards at Percy Thomson Gallery.



Bruce Carter Fund

In 2021, Bruce established a Fund with Taranaki Foundation to continue to support the causes and charities he is passionate about in a strategic and meaningful way.

“I don’t have to worry about the day-to-day management of giving. I really like the idea of a personal endowment fund that is invested and will go on giving. For me, it is the best way to give to my chosen causes for the long-term.”

Stratford-born, he has always donated to charities, but only started building up a substantial list when he moved home from Australia to New Plymouth nine years ago.

Bruce’s philanthropic focus has been on supporting organisations helping others in need, particularly those that help people suffering hardship and local sporting bodies he has been involved with in Taranaki.

The 81-year-old has set up an endowment fund which will see donations continue flowing to the chosen organisations he currently supports and will continue until well after he has passed.

“I’m very passionate about the ones I give to. I just want to keep on giving to them while I’m able to.”

The following organisations received designated distributions from the Bruce Carter Fund in the last financial year:

Abused Children’s Trust for kids (Australia); Blind Low Vision NZ; Cancer Society Taranaki; Citizens Advice; Grey Power NP; Inglewood Croquet Club; Lifeline Aotearoa; Multiple Sclerosis Taranaki; Roderique Hope Emergency Housing Trust; Royal NZ Coastguard; St Johns; Taranaki Health Foundation; Taranaki Rescue Helicopter; Taranaki Retreat Trust; Taranaki Rugby Football Union; Taranaki Women’s Refuge; Taranaki Young Peoples Trust; Tukapa Rugby & Sports Club and Westend Croquet Club



Community Grant

Horses Helping Humans

Harnessing Equine Healing

For community organisations, small grants can be transformative – they might mean covering the rent, enhancing services or realising ambitious aspirations.

In November 2022, Horses Helping Humans, Hōiho Hāpai Hapori, received a \$1,000 grant through the Terry & Angela Boon Fund during our annual funding cycle. Additionally, a \$1,375 donation came through the Christmas Giving programme, established by Craigs Investment Partners in New Plymouth through Taranaki Foundation.

Horses Helping Humans Taranaki is an equine-assisted learning programme that empowers vulnerable rangatahi with tools to manage anxiety, aggression, and low self-confidence. This interaction with horses teaches how to modulate body language and breathing, improving emotional regulation, assertiveness and self-assurance.

Collaborating with schools and youth agencies across Taranaki, Horses Helping Humans tailors the programme to cater to individual needs. It has expanded to accommodate young people aged 7 to 18 years and those with high-needs neurodiversity. In 2023, funding for 109 tamariki/rangatahi has enabled them to participate in the programme at no cost.

Laura Menzies, Lead Facilitator, expressed her gratitude, stating, “The funds we received from Taranaki Foundation and from Craigs contributed towards a significant portion of our

annual hay bill. We are blown away by everyone’s kindness and generosity. It certainly took a huge load off us knowing that our hay was getting cut the following month and we had the funds set aside to cover its cost.”



Community Grant

Taranaki Retreat - Waimanako: The Hope Centre

A gathering place to connect, uplift, and empower our community

In December 2021, Waimanako/The Hope Centre opened its doors, offering accessible support for those grappling with personal challenges. However, Jamie emphasises that everyone is welcome to this café-like haven, where a nourishing meal and fine coffee are available for koha. Since inception, over 10,000 whanau have sought refuge in this nurturing space.

“Some seek a sympathetic ear from our trained peer-support workers – it might be about work, loss, relationships, addiction or other challenges. Others come for workshops, support groups, meetings, friendly chats, study sessions or simply a great coffee or meal in a warm setting.”

The centre sought funds for a late-shift supervisor’s salary support. Taranaki Foundation recognised the great need they were facing and was able to provide a substantial \$14,500 donation from the Tindall Foundation during our annual funding cycle.

Taranaki Retreat’s Waimanako serves as more than a sanctuary; it’s a beacon of hope and community solidarity.



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Many thousands have accessed our support over the last few months. Yet, our funding isn't keeping pace with the growing demand. This grant will have an immeasurable impact on our community. Our heartfelt thanks.

Jamie Allen, Executive Officer, Taranaki Retreat.

Inspiring. Giving.

We're determined to inspire and grow local philanthropy by connecting generous individuals and organisations with our community's pressing needs. The demand for such support has never been higher.

Since our inception in 2015, we've granted a total of \$781,553 to deserving causes across our community in accordance with the wishes of our donors.

We've aligned our Impact Report with our Financial Year ending 30 June. Hence, this 2023 report encompasses an additional three months from April 2022 to June 2023.

Breakdown of Grants for 2022/23:

2022 Taranaki Foundation Annual Funding Round	\$57,273
2022 Tindall Foundation Funding for Taranaki	\$57,200
Other Donor Directed Giving	\$106,814
	\$221,287

2022 Grants

Organisation	Funded by Donors	Focus Area
2022 Taranaki Foundation Annual Funding Round:		
Te Puna Trust	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
New Plymouth Riding for the Disabled	Energyworks Fund, TF General Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Evolocity Charitable Trust	Winifred Knight Trust	Education
Hearing Dogs for Deaf People NZ	Hearing & Visual Impairment Fund	Health & Wellness
S.T.A.R.T. Taranaki	Ken & Jennifer Horner, Terry & Angela Boon	Children, Youth & Family
Kindergarten Taranaki	Hearing & Visual Impairment Fund	Health & Wellness
Patea Volunteer Fire Brigade	Harvey Symes Fund	Stronger Communities
House of Science NZ	Winifred Knight Fund	Education
Hospice Taranaki Inc	Isobel Bremer Medical	Health & Wellness
Roderique Hope Trust	Hinton Family Investment Fund	Children, Youth & Family

Stratford Shakespeare Trust	Taranaki Hauora Fund	Arts & Culture
Building Wellness Taranaki	GJ Gardner Fund	Health & Wellness
Stratford Community House	Taranaki Hauora Fund	Stronger Communities
New Plymouth Positive Ageing	Valerie Webber	Aged Support
Cystic Fibrosis Association NZ	Valerie Webber	Health & Wellness
Midurst Scout Group	HATCH Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Horses Helping Humans	Terry & Angela Boon	Children, Youth & Family
Autism Connex	Anon	Children, Youth & Family
NP North Rotary Club	Anon	Stronger Communities
Taranaki Retreat - Waimanako	Hinton Family Investment, Harry & Helen Bayliss	Health & Wellness
Pihama Hall Society	HATCH Fund	Stronger Communities
Male Survivors Taranaki Trust	Taranaki Foundation General Fund	Stronger Communities
Box Office Boxing Inc.	HATCH Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Conductive Education	Conductive Education Fund	Education

2022 Tindall Foundation Annual Funding Round:

Big Brothers Big Sisters	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
City Life Church	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Flourish Taranaki Community Trust	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
North Taranaki Community Mens Shed	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Pregnancy Help Stratford	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
South Taranaki Whānau Centre	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Taranaki Environmental Education Trust	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Taranaki Retreat - Waimanako	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Taranaki Womens Refuge	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Te Whenua Tōmuri Trust	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family
Zeal Education Trust	Tindall Foundation	Children, Youth & Family

Additional Donor Directed Giving:

Levi Coleman	Anon	Health & Wellness
Taranaki Women's Refuge	Bruce Carter Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Multiple Sclerosis Taranaki	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
Citizens Advice	Bruce Carter Fund	Stronger Communities
Taranaki Health Foundation	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
Grey Power NP	Bruce Carter Fund	Aged Support
Inglewood Croquet Club	Bruce Carter Fund	Recreation & Sport
TRFU	Bruce Carter Fund	Recreation & Sport
Cancer Society Taranaki	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
Blind (Low Vision)	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
Royal NZ Coastguard	Bruce Carter Fund	Stronger Communities
Lifeline Aotearoa	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
St Johns	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
Westend Croquet Club	Bruce Carter Fund	Recreation & Sport
Roderique Hope Trust	Bruce Carter Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Taranaki Retreat Trust	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
Taranaki Young Peoples Trust	Bruce Carter Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Taranaki Rescue Helicopter	Bruce Carter Fund	Health & Wellness
ACT for kids (Australia)	Bruce Carter Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Tukapa Rugby Club	Bruce Carter Fund	Recreation & Sport
L A McEldowney, Scholarship	Cliff Perrett Fund	Education
Hayley Thorpe, Scholarship	Cliff Perrett Fund	Education
Billie Jean James, Scholarship	Cliff Perrett Fund	Education
Olivia Ryder, scholarship	Cliff Perrett Fund	Education
Sport Taranaki 2023 Future Champions Programme	Coach McKean Fund	Recreation and Sport
Arts Festival Taranaki Charitable Trust	Connect Legal Taranaki Fund	Arts & Culture
Gabby's Startlit Hope	Craigs Investment Partners, NP	Children, Youth & Family
Horses Helping Humans	Craigs Investment Partners, NP	Children, Youth & Family

New Plymouth Community Foodbank	Craigs Investment Partners, NP	Stronger Communities
Hawera Foodbank	Craigs Investment Partners, NP	Stronger Communities
Stratford Foodbank	Craigs Investment Partners, NP	Stronger Communities
Taranaki Primary School Science & Engineering Fair	Energyworks Fund	Education
Going Bananas Show	Energyworks Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Autism New Zealand Inc	Energyworks Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Special Children's Extravaganza	GJ Gardener Fund	Children, Youth & Family
Anne Larcom, scholarship	Rudi Milesi Fund	Education
Tayla Steele, scholarship	Rudi Milesi Fund	Education
Percy Thomson Trust – Equipment	Taranaki Hauora Fund	Arts & Culture
Percy Thomson Trust – Emergence Awards	Taranaki Hauora Fund	Arts & Culture
Becki Sharrock	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Callum Moffit	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Emma Jameson	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Lucas Vassiliou	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Camron Horo	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Sam Parker	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Athletics Taranaki Inc	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Zara Erol-Watt	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Sage Piebenga	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Solai Ehrhorn	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Ella Leauga	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Liam Crowe	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
NPBHS Basketball Tour	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Taranaki Tennis - Juniors	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
FDMC- Adventure Racing	Taranaki Youth Boost Fund	Recreation & Sport
Josh Bird, scholarship	Winifred Knight Fund	Education
Wairoa Mayoral Fund	Wairua for Wairoa – Taranaki Cares, GJ Gardner Fund	Stronger Communities

Community Project

Destination Play at Kāwaroa

A creative, interactive, intergenerational space filled with fun

Destination Play at Kāwaroa is a visionary project led by the Taranaki Foundation in collaboration with mana whenua of Ngāmotu, Ngāti Te Whiti, New Plymouth District Council and NP Partners.

Community Foundations, like ours, often take on the role of connectors and leaders within communities, spearheading transformative projects and strategic fundraising endeavours. Taranaki Foundation has been honoured to lead this exciting development for our region, located on this culturally significant and historic site along the New Plymouth foreshore.

However, a community project of this scale can only come to fruition through

support from a diverse range of contributors, including public, private, corporate, and philanthropic entities, as well as individuals and businesses.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all donors and supporters who have played a vital role in bringing Destination Play to life. These contributions, ranging from \$20 donations to significant \$1 million funding partnerships, thanks to this incredible support, we will soon be able to transform the vision of Destination Play into a reality.

Together, we are turning aspirations into actions.



We couldn't do it without you.

We wouldn't be where we are without the immense efforts of everyone who has helped us on our journey so far: Our donors, funders, sponsors, voluntary board and committee members.

We thank you all for continued support as we strive to inspire a culture of giving and sharing in Taranaki, to nurture and build the prosperity of our community for generations to come.

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Together, we're building a stronger community, forever.

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